

DETAILED ACTION

Priority

Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Election/Restrictions

The restriction requirement of 3/14/2008 has been traversed by the applicant. Applicants' arguments were found persuasive and the restriction requirement has been withdrawn.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Search of prior art has failed to uncover references that would anticipate or render obvious compounds of formulae [2], [3], [13], [14], [15], [16], [22], [23] and [32]. Methods of producing said compounds is also novel. Closest art is Oksenenko et al. (J Org. Chem. USSR pp-753-758). Oksenenko et al. teach a method of producing polyfluoroaromatic compounds. However the compounds produced by Okserenko et al. are those having 3 fused aromatic rings wherein the instant claims are directed to compounds with 5 fused rings.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Claims 2, 3, 5-32 and 34 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yevgeny Valenrod whose telephone number is 571-272-9049. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am-5:00pm M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler can be reached on 571-272-0871. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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